Subject: URGENT ACTION NEEDED - Join CDA to Oppose SB 876 "Right to Rest" on March 29

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Good Afternoon,

Please find below an update on SB876 as provided by CDA.

Have a great evening!

As you've now heard, CDA is actively opposing SB 876 (Liu). This bill would create a new right for any homeless person to "sleep or rest" in any "public space." This bill's broad definition essentially declares the right to sleep or rest on any property that has a public easement. What's more, SB 876 creates a special set of exemptions, privileges and rights for the homeless to occupy public and private property, including sidewalks, without complying with laws that apply to everyone else.

Last year, the Sacramento Bee referred to a similar legislative attempt as a "nightmare scenario" wherein businesses and their patrons would be powerless to address individuals who are impeding their daily activities. The public right-of-way is to be enjoyed by all, without being subject to intimidation, inability to pass, or lack of sanitary conditions.

Join CDA to oppose SB 876!

CDA's template letter is available here; simply download, personalize, and email or fax to members of the Senate Committee on Transportation & Housing.

Join CDA to oppose in person during the measure's hearing this Tuesday, March 29 at 1:30 p.m. in the State Capitol. RSVP here for more information.

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